

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph at page 6, line 32 with the following amended paragraph:

Figure 1 is a comparison of the human BMP-12 and human MP52 sequences.

The sequence of human BMP-12 is set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1. The sequence of MP52 is set forth in SEQ ID NO: 3.